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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

In response to the final Office Action dated April 6, 2010, and along with the concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination and petition for a one-month extension of time, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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